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MEMORANDUM FOR: Executive Director-Comptroller

SUBJECT : General Services Administration Request for Funds to
Support Research and Development on the Quality of
Paper

1. Paragraph 5 of this memorandum contains a request for your approval.
2. The National Archives and Records Service of the General Services Administration has found that certain valuable historical documents crumble when removed from the repository. Consequently, they are sponsoring research to be conducted by the National Bureau of Standards toward the improvement of paper and development of related standards.
3. In 1964 CIA transferred \$5,000 to GSA for a similar research project concerning microfilm preservation. We received two reports and expect to receive other results of that research including a new Federal regulation on the use of microfilm to be issued by March 1969.
4. Private organizations and other agencies of the Government are being asked to support the current paper research project. GSA is seeking \$20,000 from Federal Agencies before 30 June 1969. The 1964 precedent would suggest that a contribution of \$5,000 from CIA would be in order.

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If you approve, I will arrange with the Director, OPPB and the Director of Finance for the transfer of funds.

5. It is recommended that you approve the transfer of \$5,000 to the General Services Administration for the paper research project.

R. L. Bannerman
Deputy Director
for Support

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